

## ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (EA/EIS)

### Part I. Proposed Action Description

**Applicant/Contact Name & Address:** Pinnacle Gas Resources, Inc  
1 E. Alger Street  
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**Type of Action:** Beneficial Water Use Application 42B 30025008.  
To use water produced from CBM production for stock watering.

**Location Affected by Action:** All sections in Township 8 & 9 South, Range 41 & 42 East of Big Horn County

**Narrative Summary of Proposed Action:** Water is produced by coal bed methane production. It is the applicants intent to obtain a water use permit to use that water for stocking watering of 130 animal units.

### Part II. Existing Environmental Review Information

**Title:** Final Statewide Oil and Gas Environmental Impact Statement

**Publication Date:** January 2003

**Lead Agency:** Montana DEQ, BOGC & US Bureau of Land Management

**Location Where Interested Parties Can View or Obtain the Document:**  
<http://www.deq.mt.gov/CoalBedMethane/finaleis.asp>

### Part III. Criteria for Adopting Existing Environmental Review

- ☒ Yes ☐ No Does the existing environmental review cover an action paralleling or closely related to the proposed action?
- ☒ Yes ☐ No Is the information in the existing environmental review accurate and clearly presented?
- ☒ Yes ☐ No Is the information in the existing environmental review applicable to the action being considered?
- ☒ Yes ☐ No Were all appropriate Agencies consulted during preparation of the existing environmental review?
- ☒ Yes ☐ No Were alternatives to the proposed action evaluated as part of the existing environmental review effort?
- ☒ Yes ☐ No Have all of the impacts of the proposed action been accurately identified as part of the existing environmental review?
- ☒ Yes ☐ No If the existing environmental review identifies any significant impacts as a result of the proposed action, will they be mitigated below the level of significance?

### Part IV. Conclusion

If the answers to ALL of the questions listed above are "Yes", the existing environmental review can be considered sufficient to satisfy DNRC's MEPA review responsibilities.

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